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OFFICIAL COUNTY PAPER

K. OF C. MEETING.

At the meeting of the Great Bend Council of the Knight of Columbus, held on Tuesday evening of this week, an election was held to fill a couple of vacancies in the Council, resulting from some of the officers moving away. N. J. Berscheidt was elected as financial secretary to take the place made vacant by the removal of George DeWald, and U. B. McGreevey was chosen as recording secretary to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. J. O. Skinner.

MRS. GEORGE PSASS.

Mrs. George Psass, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Damm, long time residents of this community, died at the family home in Rich Hill near Chillicothe, Mo., on Sunday morning, after an illness of about two weeks. Mrs. Psass was aged 32 years and the news of her death was a great shock to the relatives and friends here who were not aware of her serious illness. Besides her husband she leaves to mourn her loss four small children, besides a number of relatives both in Missouri and in this county, and many friends who sincerely regret to hear of her death. Funeral services were held in the St. Columbus church at that place on Wednesday morning of this week. The many friends of the Damm family here unite in sympathy with them in their loss.

APPLICATION FOR PAROLE.

To Whom It May Concern:
Harry Gold will present his application for a parole to the Prison Board on the 2nd day of February, 1914.
Communications favoring or protesting against his parole will be considered by the Board.
J. D. BODKIN, Warden.



HAVE YOU CATARRH?

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WOMAN ADJUDGED INSANE.

A session of the probate court was held at the Merritt Dairy Farm north of town Saturday afternoon for the purpose of inquiring into the sanity of Mrs. Mart Hathaway, and she was adjudged to be of unsound mind and was taken to the asylum at Oesawatomie by Sheriff Brown the first of the week. This is the third time that Mrs. Hathaway has been in an asylum and the probabilities are that the case this time is a hopeless one. The family came here a few years ago from Iowa. A son was born to the couple about ten years ago and it was at this time that Mrs. Hathaway first lost her reason, being at that time confined to an asylum for about nine months and being discharged as cured and for about three years was apparently all right, but was later sent to an asylum where she remained for three years, being discharged as cured just before moving to this place.

Indications of the return of the malady began to appear several days ago and she rapidly grew worse until it was no longer safe for her to remain at large and the authorities were notified, as she had become very violent and was liable to inflict injury upon herself or others.

Mr. Hathaway is foreman at the Merritt farm and the ten year old son will, for the present at least, be cared for at the George Merritt home.

Sheriff Brown and Mr. Hathaway returned yesterday morning from Oesawatomie where they had taken Mrs. Hathaway, and Mr. Brown reports that the woman was very violent during the entire trip and that it was all he and Mr. Hathaway could do to take care of her, and that from all indications her case is a most helpless one.

GUNN.

Lucy May, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Gunn, died at the home of her parents in this city New Year's morning at 8:00 o'clock, aged 15 years, 6 months and 5 days.

The young lady had been an invalid for the past eight or nine years, being a sufferer from heart disease, and although all that the best of medical skill and loving care and attention was done to relieve her of her suffering and effect a cure or prolong her life was done, yet it was the will of the Creator that she be removed from her earthly sufferings. She was a bright, winsome girl, loved by all who knew her, and she bore her long suffering with a patience and fortitude and with a sweet willingness to submit to her trials in a way to cause the sincere admiration of all, and the many friends unite in sympathy to the bereaved over her departure from this earthly sphere.

She leaves to mourn her death her parents, her twin sister, Nellie, another sister, Grace, and three brothers, Walter, Leonard and Ray, and other relatives and a host of friends who are saddened indeed at her death.

Funeral services were held from the home Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock and interment made in the Great Bend cemetery.

ATHENIAN CLUB.

The Athenian Club met with Mrs. Katherine Smith on Monday, Jan. 5. The following program was carried out:

The Temple of Luxor, by Mrs. Ida Moses.

Egyptian Sculpture—The Sphinxes and the Colossi, by Mrs. Hartman.

Egyptian Art, by Mrs. Osmond.

On Monday, January 12, the club will meet with Mrs. Wagoner, instead of Mrs. Nellie Smith, as indicated in the Year Book.

FOR THE THIRD TIME.

Farmer Township and Bushton Have Paid in Every Cent of Taxes Before January.

For the third time in succession the township of Farmer and city of Bushton within its borders have the rare distinction of being entirely clear on the tax rolls of the county treasurer before the year is out. We doubt if there is another township in the state that can show a similar record of promptness grown into a habit. And let's not forget that.

The citizens of the township and town are certainly people who take pride in being ahead of their obligations. One of them, Will Volkman, of the Bushton bank, where the taxes of the adjacent region were payable, kept tab on things, and precluded any danger of anyone forgetting. All had the money and were glad to take the profit made by being prompt, as well as have the satisfaction of helping to set a pace few, if any, townships in Kansas ever held. Mr. Volkman and his neighbors of that community are all right.—Central Kansas News-Democrat.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Alphin have returned from Leoti where they spent several days visiting relatives and friends.

ANNUAL INSURANCE MEETING.

The members of the German Mutual Fire Insurance Co., of Barton county, will hold their annual meeting on January 14th, in the Ellsworth Masonic Hall, at 1 o'clock P. M., sharp. Every member is requested to be present.

Farmers, not members of our organization, are also invited to this meeting, to learn how successful co-operation among the farmers, to their best interest, works.

B. KRAMPE, President.

WANT GOOD SEEDS?

In view of the recent drought in this congressional district, our congressman has been successful in securing a quantity of dry-land seed peculiarly adapted to our needs, and is anxious to have them placed in the hands of persons who will plant same in accordance with instructions issued by the Department. This seed consists of alfalfa, feterita and black bull kaffir, each package containing enough seed to plant one acre. Anyone having use for this seed, may obtain same by addressing a post-card to our congressman at Washington. Only one package is available to any one person. Please write name and address plainly, as they are frequently omitted. Address Geo. A. Neeley, M. C., Washington, D. C.

MILLINERY.

A large assortment of Fall and Winter Hats to be closed out from one-half to one-third regular price within the next two weeks, to make room for my spring stock of goods that is on the way. MRS. J. D. RILEY, Keith's Old Stand.

Arthur Moses has returned to Burlington after a few days visit here with relatives.

W. W. Hartshorn was in from the west side on a business trip Saturday.

Will Gunn, of Jewell county, was here Saturday to attend the funeral of his niece, Miss May Gunn.

Clayt Stevenson has returned to Newton after a few days visit here with friends.

Frank Wurm was up from Ellsworth Tuesday on business and visiting friends.

J. A. Pearson was over from Hoisington Wednesday, visiting and on a business trip.

J. A. Brack was down from Galatia Monday for a short visit with friends and to attend to matters of business.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Converse were in from west Clarence township Monday, visiting with relatives and friends and looking after business matters.

Nick Klepper was up from Ellsworth Tuesday for a visit with his many friends and to attend to business matters.

Arthur Johnson, cashier of the bank at Greensburg, of which the late Tom Taylor was president, was here the first of the week to attend the funeral of Mr. Taylor.

Will Werhahn was in from Pawnee Rock township on Saturday, visiting with relatives and friends and on a business trip.

Miss Sadie Dale returned Sunday night to Hutchinson, where she is teaching school, after spending the Christmas vacation with her parents here.

Nick Tockert was over from Cheyenne township Wednesday looking after matters in the Probate Court concerning the estate of the late Elizabeth Tockert.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schmalz, former residents of this community but who have been living in Butler county for the past few years, have returned to this county to make their future home.

Miss Jessie Dodge entertained a large number of young ladies Friday afternoon in honor of her cousin, Miss Winifred Feder, of Topeka, who has been here spending her Christmas vacation. The afternoon was spent in playing games and a pleasant time was had by the guests.

Evidently the manipulators of the jack rabbit market have not gotten the price down to a standard basis as yet, judging from the reports of some of the papers over the state. The Pawnee Rock Herald of last week reports a number of rabbits being brought to the market there, the price paid being 11 cents for jacks and 7 cents for cottontails. The Spearville News of the same week also reports a number of rabbits being marketed there despite the fact that all were supposed to have been killed off in the severe storms of two years ago this winter, but the market there is only 5 cents each for jacks and 3 cents each for cottontails. Evidently someone is paying too much for some of these rabbits.

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SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

January 5, 1914.

At the beginning of the New Year, 1914, the administration invites the attention of the people of Kansas to its magnificent progressive record.

Legislative

It has repealed the Inheritance Tax law which was demanded by an overwhelming majority of the people of the state.

It has placed the state educational institutions on a business basis by putting them under the management of a school board which is insisting that these institutions be run economically and in the interest of the people rather than simply as faculty owned concerns.

It has provided for the state publication of school books and the Commission which has charge of that work was in session last week for the purpose of selecting manuscripts for publishing those books on which the contracts expire next year.

It has adopted the Massachusetts form of ballot for which Governor Hodges had contended strenuously in two previous legislatures. This form of ballot is intended to encourage independent and intelligent voting and William Allen White has had the courage to say that if Governor Hodges had accomplished nothing else, this alone was enough to entitle him to the gratitude of the people of Kansas.

It remained for a Democratic legislature and Governor to take the judiciary out of politics and to provide for the non-partisan election of judges.

It submitted to the people a constitutional amendment for the recall of unfaithful officials.

It established the small debtors court which is proving so successful everywhere and thus established the principle of free justice.

A Democratic legislature passed, and a Democratic Governor signed the Mahin bill, which has made it possible to give more effective enforcement to the prohibitory law than ever before.

It abolished the office of county assessor to take effect next year and this alone will save the counties a very considerable sum of money.

It abolished the fee system in Kansas.

It passed an effective white slave law.

It abolished local oil inspectors.

whereby the state is getting a revenue of forty thousand dollars per annum more than it did under the old system.

It enlarged the scope of the Working Men's Compensation Law.

It provided for a Divorce Proctor which has had the effect of reducing the number of divorces in Kansas.

This enumeration by no means exhausts the list of Progressive laws which were passed.

The Penitentiary.

The Twine Plant at the State Penitentiary at Lansing has been entirely rebuilt at a cost of less than sixty thousand dollars.

This has been done without borrowing money and the new plant is fire proof and modern in every respect.

The machinery is of the latest pattern.

The plant was put in operation last week and twine is now being made and will be furnished to the Kansas farmers this year at a price lower than ever.

Two large silos have been built on the penitentiary farm and filled with sludge with which to feed stock until the next crop matures. Several hundred acres more of farming land will be put in cultivation this year. The penitentiary has been cleaned up and made as sanitary as it is possible to make it, and the discipline under Warden Botkin is conceded to be the best which has ever prevailed at the Kansas State prison.

The Reformatory.

Superintendent Herr is making a success of the Hutchinson Reformatory. Everything inside the walls has been scrubbed and cleaned and made sanitary. The farming operations at that institution have been enlarged and a broom making plant has been installed and the discipline of the institution has never been equaled.

Old Soldiers' Home.

At the Old Soldiers' Home the administration is making the cottages modern and sanitary, putting screens on the doors and windows, and putting in electric lights for the first time, in addition to providing the old veterans with better food and better clothing than they have ever had before.

This Board is doing the same thing at the Bickelrhyke home in Ellsworth.

Irrigation

The State Board of Irrigation has a number of experimental irrigation plants in course of construction and during the coming season will demonstrate the feasibility of cheap irrigation for the settlers in western Kansas.

This Board is making a specialty of irrigation which can be handled by the small farmer in western Kansas instead of spending the state's money to help real estate men exploit that part of the country.

The recent Irrigation Congress at Colby passed resolutions endorsing the work of this Commission.

The Banks.

Bank Commissioner Sawyer has been bringing the banks into closer touch with the farmers and when all other methods had failed, Mr. Sawyer took the matter up and furnished seed wheat for over fifty thousand acres in western Kansas. Mr. Sawyer has also put in force a new idea in Kansas banking. Under the plan which has been in operation for years bank receiverships were only nice, soft jobs for political workers; the jobs paid fat salaries, lasted many months and resulted in delayed collections and ultimate loss of money for the depositors.

Mr. Sawyer has had none of these positions to offer. Since he became Bank Commissioner last spring, four State Banks have encountered trouble.

Instead of appointing a receiver at a fat salary, Mr. Sawyer adopted the 'nursing' system and sent one of his examiners to take charge of the bank, straighten out its accounts, hurry up collections, secure extra collateral on questionable paper, and if necessary perfect a plan for reorganizing the bank and putting it on its feet again, and in every case so far, Mr. Sawyer has succeeded.

Mr. Sawyer is a Bank Commissioner who does his work without the use of a brass band but he does it none the less effectively.

A frightfully henpecked man was summoned to the bedside of his dying spouse. For forty years she had made his life a burden. 'I think I am dying, David,' she said, 'and before I leave you I want to know if I shall see you in the better land.' 'I think not, Nancy,' he replied—'not if I see you first.'

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